grant-in-aid hospitals and dispensaries were not showing the sympathy they ought to show to the people. He suggested that the inspection of hospitals and dispensaries by the Darbar Physician should be conducted more rigorously throughout the State.

The Member next pleaded for a more liberal grant being allowed in the budget for the Ayurveda Department in view of the large volume of medical relief it was giving to the people.

It should be the duty of the Sanitary Department to enquire into the state of public health outside the T. I. C. Town limits and report about it to Government from time to time. The department should also show more activity in issuing to the people leaflets, etc., thus giving them a fair knowledge of how to combat the spread of certain epidemic diseases such as small-pox, cholera, etc.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

101. The urgent need for opening a hospital or at least a dispensary in the town of Attungal.

Mr. V. Kunjukrishna Pillai (Member, Chirayinkil taluk) said that, with a growing population and with the establishment of several public institutions, the necessity for a Government dispensary was being felt at Attungal and added that it could be done without heavy expenditure to Government by locating it in the old English school buildings and deputing one of the two medical officers from the Chirayinkil hospital to be in charge of it.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

102. Need for opening a dispensary at Manimala.

Mr. Ittiyavira Chakko (Member, Peermade taluk) submitted that the population of Manimala was growing in numbers every year owing to the opening up of the country all round, but that the place was subject to fevers of all kinds. The nearest hospital was ten miles away at Kanjirapalli, from which a medical officer used to be sent twice a week for dispensing medicines at Manimala. The arrangement was, however, discontinned. He, therefore, suggested that either a dispensary might be opened at Manimala or the old arrangement revived.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

103. Provision of a hospital at Mundakayam to accommodate in-patients and the appointment of a Medical Officer able to perform major operations to be in charge of that institution.

Mr. J. R. Vincent (Member, Mundakayam Planters' Association) represented that the population of Mundakayam, exclusive of the 15,000 labourers employed in the estates, was already large and that, although the estates had been treating free of cost all applicants for medical relief, they were unable to meet the expenditure necessary in dealing with major operations and to give medical relief to the whole country side lying east of Kanjirapalli. The nearest hospital where amputations and other major operations could be done was at Kanjirapalli, about 12 miles away. The Member, therefore, suggested that the local dispensary which was located in a rented building might be stopped and a hospital opened under the charge of a medical officer able to perform major operations. It was understood that a site had been selected and plans and estimates for the building made. It was, therefore, only necessary for the Government to sanction the expenditure for the building and commence work.

Dewan's reply.—The representation of the Member is noted.

104. Need for an Ayurveda Patasala in Central Travancore.

Mr. N. Padmanabhan Vaidyan (Member, Nominated) submitted that many poor students, especially from the Ganaka community, were finding it difficult to go to Trivandrum to read in the Ayurveda Patasala which was the only institution of its kind in Travancore. He prayed that another Patasala might be opened somewhere in Central Travancore, preferably at Adur, Mavelikara, or

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